SUBJECT No. 333.

Appropriation of *Puduvat* Fund.

Mr. K. V. Nanjunda Setti, Seringapatam Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The present system of crediting the unused portion of the *puduvat* amount to muzrai funds frustrates the object of the donors. It is prayed that one-eighth or even less be held in reserve and the remainder appropriated for the purpose intended by the donor.

Reply of Government.—Specific instances of application of funds for other than the intended purposes may be brought to notice.

SUBJECT No. 334.

Power of *Dharmadarsis*.

Mr. Kallegowda, Mudgere taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The powers of *Dharmadarsis* of important muzrai institutions may be enhanced.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 335.

Grants to orphanages.

Mr. M. Venkatakrishniah, Mysore City Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that liberal grants may be given to orphanages from muzrai funds.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao supported the proposition.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

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SUBJECT No. 336.

The Mysore Civil Service Examination.

(*a*) Mr. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, Shimoga Municipality.
(*b*) Mr. Maralusiddappa, Hassan District Board.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) Government may be pleased to state when final orders on the representations for the abolition of the Mysore Civil Service Examination will be passed. The feeling against it is as keen as ever. It is open, among others, to the following objections:—

(1) It brings in men just fresh from school, who are not fitted to discharge the responsible duties attached to their posts, without training and experience.

(2) The experience required by them has to be gained at a heavy cost to the tax-payer for some years without any tangible work during the period.

(3) In many cases men without special aptitude for administrative work happen to come out successful in the examination and secure the appointments.

(4) The system damps the zeal for work of officers in the lower grades of service firstly by blocking their chances of promotion, and secondly by subordinating them to inexperienced officers who are, at times, of inferior capabilities.

(*b*) With a view to improve patriotic feelings in the rising generation of Mysore, the Mysore Civil Service Examination may be kindly restricted to the graduates of the Mysore State alone.

Mr. K. H. Ramaiya.—The competitive examination should be abolished, as in the natural course of things it must exclude the backward communities. It is enough if selection for the higher appointments is made from among graduates.

Mr. Nanjundaradhya supported Mr. Ramaiya's representation, while Messrs. Raghavachar and Venkatkrishniah opposed it, the former on the ground that "nominations" to the Civil Service provided for the contingency explained by Mr. Ramaiya, and the latter for the reason that the proposal would impair the efficiency of the service.

Mr. M. K. Krishnamurthi Rao.—The Civil Service Examination should not be abolished. But in addition to restricting it to Mysoreans, good knowledge of Kannada should be made an obligatory qualification for appearing at the examination. The present Kannada test after appointment is not satisfactory.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT NO. 337.

Qualifications for membership to the Representative Assembly.

(*a*) 1. Messrs. B. Venkatasubbannachar, Agumbe Rama Rao, Thammayya Bhatta and Ramanna Gowda, Tirthahalli taluk.

2. Bhaskar Rao, Shimoga District Board.

(*b*) Messrs. A. Narasimha Iyengar, Sagar taluk; S. R. Balakrishna Rao, Shimoga Municipality and Bhaskar Rao, Shimoga District Board.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) 1. The various minima now fixed for the different taluks to qualify persons paying land revenue for being elected to the Representative Assembly may be abolished, and Rs. 150 may be fixed as the qualifying minimum of assessment payable to Government for eligibility to the membership of the Assembly in all taluks.

2. *Per contra.*—The minimum assessment of Rs. 300 now fixed for eligibility to the Representative Assembly may be raised to Rs. 500.

(*b*) Graduates in Arts and legal practitioners of, say, ten years' standing may be held eligible for the membership of the Representative Assembly.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT NO. 338.

Eligibility for membership to the Representative Assembly.

Mr. C. Narasimiah, Mysore District Board.

Summary of discussion.—If a raiyat pays kandayam on account of land held in several taluks in a district and the aggregate kandayam so paid amounts to more than the highest minimum fixed for any taluk in the district, such a raiyat may with the permission of the Deputy Commissioner be declared eligible for the Representative Assembly from any one of the taluks for which he pays kandayam.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT NO. 339.

Compilation of a history of the Representative Assembly.

Mr. M. K. Krishnamurti Rao, Magadi taluk.

Summary of discussion.—A history of the origin of the Representative Assembly, containing the information regarding the various subjects introduced and the reply of Government thereto, etc., may be caused to be compiled for the benefit of members and others, most of whom are ignorant of its proceedings. Such a digest is badly needed